

CEANTAR BARDASACH CHATHAIR CHILL CHAINNIGH
MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF KILKENNY CITY

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 13th
JANUARY, 2017 AT 2.30 P.M.**

Mayor, Councillor Patrick O’Neill, Presiding.

Present:-

Councillors: Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere, Michael Doyle, Matt Doran, David Fitzgerald, Breda Gardner, David Kennedy, Joe Malone, Andrew McGuinness, Patrick McKee, Malcolm Noonan, Seán Tyrrell.

Also Present: Mr. Tim Butler, Director of Services, Mr. Brian Tyrrell, Senior Executive Officer, Mr. Seamus Kavanagh, A/Senior Engineer, Mr. Shane Aylward, A/Senior Executive Engineer and Catherine Cooney, Staff Officer.

Mayor’s Summons of Meeting:

Notice dated 9th January, 2017, convening a Monthly Meeting for this date was read.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of Meetings:

Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 16th December, 2016 having been previously circulated was tabled for confirmation. It was:

Proposed by: Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy
And Resolved

“That the minutes as presented to this meeting be and are hereby adopted.”

2. Matters brought forward by direction of the Mayor.

The Mayor acknowledged the following recent achievements and all those involved in the following Projects/Events which he attended:

- Annual Carol Service in St. Canice’s Cathedral.
- Concerts in St. Mary’s Medieval Mile Museum over the Yulefest Festival.
- Appreciation to all who contributed to the Mayor’s Christmas Fund.
- Christmas Party at Alzheimer’s Day Care Centre.

- Carol Service at St. Luke's.
- Rotary Club Christmas Tree Event.
- Kilkenny Meals on Wheels – Christmas Day Deliveries.
- Closing Ceremony to reflect on Commemoration Year on 31st December, 2016.
- Thomas Hayes Trust Ball.
- Farmers Rights Reception.
- Rackard Cody dinner reception.

3. General Municipal Allocation 2017.

Mr. Brian Tyrrell explained that the Members are now required to allocate the approved €100,000 discretionary budget under the General Municipal Allocation 2017, to various projects in the Municipal District. Following a discussion, Members agreed to meet, in committee, at 4.00 p.m. on Friday, 10th February, to agree the allocation of the budget. It was agreed that this item be placed on the February Agenda for approval.

Mr. Seamus Kavanagh agreed to prepare a draft proposal for the allocation of the funding for the Members and requested Members to submit suggestions to him before 10th February.

Cllr. Matt Doran proposed that “Roads” be placed as a recurring item on the monthly Agenda of the Municipal District Meeting and it was agreed by all.

4. Presentation on City Bus Service – N.T.A.

2 no. Representatives, Marian Wilson, Head of Transport Services and Paul McGartoll, Executive Transport Planner, from National Transport Authority made a presentation to the meeting on the Kilkenny City Bus Network explaining the role of the National Transport Authority, Network Planning, Public Engagement, Procurement, Infrastructure and Launch of the Service.

The Mayor and Members all expressed their appreciation for the presentation and welcomed the provision of the Service. Ms. Wilson and Mr. McGartoll responded to questions raised by Members in relation to:

- Evening bus times.
- Cost of using the Service.
- Possibility of bio-gas or electric fleet.
- Library Service – good resource for engagement.
- Starting Routes
- Linkage to Rural Routes.
- Real time information at shared bus stops.
- Provision of Park and Ride facilities.
- Need to insure that it is a quality, safe and secure service.

5. Notice of Motion in the name of Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere received 5th January, 2016:

Proposed by: Cllr. Peter ‘Chap’ Cleere
Seconded by: Cllr. David Kennedy
And resolved

“That this Municipal District would look at options regarding the maintenance and renewal of the many viewing points amenities around the district. Tourism is a massive part of our strategy for the city and county and some of the viewing points, particularly on the Graiguenamanagh to Thomastown Road and on the Graiguenamanagh to The Rower Road are just two examples where the facilities and maintenance need to be upgraded with immediate effect.”

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed:

MAYOR

Date:
